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The Arden Theatre, various times: The BFG (Big Friendly Giant) – Based on the beloved children's book by Roald Dahl, the Arden Theatre Company presents the story of a young orphan, Sophie and the Big Friendly Giant on their journey from Giant Country to Buckingham Palace, as they team up to save the children of England. *Call for ticket prices.* (215) 922-1122, www.ardentheatre.org

JANUARY 15

National Constitution Center, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.: Martin Luther King Day of Service

A variety of activities for all ages, including crafts, storytelling sessions and musical and dramatic performances are planned to honor the life and legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. *Free.* (215) 409-6600, www.constitutioncenter.org

JANUARY 16 - MARCH 4

The Walnut Street Theatre, various times: Of Mice and Men – John Steinbeck's celebrated story follows the lives of George and Lennie, two lonely migrant workers who dream of a place they can call their own. *Call for ticket prices.* (215) 574-3550, www.wstonline.org

JANUARY 19

City Tavern, 6 p.m.: An Evening in the Black Forest – Chef Walter Staib invites you to celebrate his newest cookbook, *Black Forest Cuisine*. Enjoy favorites like goulash, schnitzel, Black Forest cake and an array of beers and wines selected by the Chef. \$75, proceeds benefit Immanuel Lutheran Church of Philadelphia. *Reservations required.* (215) 413-1443

JANUARY 20-21

Edgar Allan Poe National Historic Site 3:30-4:30 p.m.: A Poe Birthday Celebration Celebrate the 198th birthday of Edgar Allan Poe (1/19/1809) by taking a special candlelight tour of Poe's house focusing on the famous stories Poe wrote in Philadelphia, including "The Gold Bug," "The Black Cat" and "The Tell Tale Heart." *Free, reservations suggested.* (215) 597-8780, www.nps.gov/inde

JANUARY 22

National Constitution Center, 6:30 p.m.: The Supremes: Breaking the Code of the Most Mysterious Branch – Join noted professor and author Jeffrey Rosen as he discusses his new book, *The Supreme Court: The Personalities and Rivalries that Defined America*. *Free, reservations required.* (215) 409-6700, www.constitutioncenter.org

JANUARY 29

National Constitution Center, 6:30 p.m.:

Washington Tug of War: Separation of Powers

As the gavel changes hands in both houses of the U.S. Congress, the NCC and the University of Pennsylvania Law School present their new visiting scholars in a tug of war about the separation of powers.

Reservations required; \$15, \$12 for members, \$6 for K-12 students and teachers.

(215) 409-6700,

www.constitutioncenter.org



JANUARY 31

National Constitution Center, 6:30 p.m.: Citizens' Constitutional Conversation with Dinesh D'Souza

Noted conservative author D'Souza discusses his provocative new book *The Enemy at Home: The Cultural Left and Its Responsibility for 9/11*.

Reservations required; \$15, \$12 members, \$6 for K-12 students and teachers.

(215) 409-6700, www.constitutioncenter.org

FEBRUARY

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National Museum of American Jewish History,

Noon: George Washington's Birthday & Presidents' Day Celebration

– A celebration of Washington's guarantee of religious freedom for all Americans, which he affirmed in a letter to Congregation Mikveh Israel. Event includes a reading of the letter by "George Washington" and cherry pie for all! *Free.* (215) 923-3811, www.nmajb.org

FEBRUARY 17

Independence Visitor Center, 3:30-4:30 p.m.:

The President's House

– A park ranger discusses the house and household staff of Presidents Washington and Adams. The buildings where they lived and worked during the 1790s are long gone, but this illustrated talk brings the time to life.

Free. (800) 537-7676, www.nps.gov/inde

FEBRUARY 21

National Constitution Center, 6:30 p.m.: Presidents, Dictators & Scoundrels with NBC's Andrea Mitchell

The NBC reporter, who began her career in Philadelphia, participates in a Citizens' Constitutional Conversation about her memoir, *Talking Back... to Presidents, Dictators and Assorted Scoundrels*.

\$15, \$12 for members, and \$6 for K-12 students and teachers. (215) 409-6700, www.constitutioncenter.org

ONGOING

The African-American Museum in Philadelphia, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Tues.-Sat.; Noon-5 p.m. Sun.:

Art of African Women – This exhibition of photographs by journalist Margaret Courtney-Clarke pays tribute to living African artistic traditions that have been passed down through women.

Free with museum admission. (215) 574-0380, www.aampmuseum.org

Christ Church, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Wed.-Sat.;

1-5 p.m. Sun.: Guided Tours – Tour "The Nation's Church" where famous Revolutionary-era leaders like George Washington, Benjamin Franklin and Betsy Ross worshipped. *Free, donations requested.* (215) 922-1695, www.oldchristchurch.org

Franklin Court Museum, 12:15-4:15 p.m. Wed.-Sun.:

Franklin Film Festival – Three 30-minute films on Franklin: *Disney's Ben & Me*, Discovery Chanel's *The Real Ben Franklin* and the original *Portrait of a Family*. *Free* (800) 537-7676, www.nps.gov/inde

Independence Visitor Center, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. daily:

Looking Through Franklin's Eyes – Ben would recognize many park buildings in this exhibit. While you are looking, pick up a Franklin Self-Guided Walking Tour or a Junior Ranger Activity booklet. *Free.* (800) 537-7676, www.nps.gov/inde

Peco Energy Liberty Center, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. daily:

Ben Franklin's Ghost at Lights of Liberty Dr. Franklin appears as a dramatic, life-size holographic image who can answer hundreds of possible questions, both serious and silly, about his family, inventions, writings and his role in history. *Free.* 215-LIBERTY, www.lightsofliberty.org

DON'T MISS

Tutankhamun and the Golden Age of the Pharaohs

Presented by Mellon Financial Corporation

Beginning February 3, the first U.S. tour of the treasures of King Tut in 26 years makes its final North American stop at The Franklin Institute, 222 North 20th Street.

Don't miss this blockbuster event!

Reserved ticket prices start at \$27.50 for adults. (215) 448-1200 – www.fi.edu

FREE PROGRAMS • JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2007

Location	9 a.m.	10 a.m.	11 a.m.	Noon	1 p.m.	2 p.m.	3 p.m.	4 p.m.	5 p.m.
Free Quaker Meeting House <i>5th & Arch Streets</i>		Meet a Free Quaker <i>Wed.-Sun.</i>							
Betsy Ross House <i>239 Arch Street</i>		Meet Betsy Ross <i>Tue.-Sun.</i>							
		Tour Guide <i>Tue.-Sun.</i>							
Independence Visitor Center <i>6th & Market Streets</i>		Slavery & The Underground Railroad in Philadelphia <i>Sun. only - Theatre Two</i>							
		The President's House <i>Sat. only</i>							
Franklin Court <i>Market Street between 3th & 4th Streets</i>						Franklin's Hands on History <i>Sat. & Sun.</i>			
						Franklin's Glass Music <i>Sat. & Sun.</i>			
					Franklin Film Festival <i>Wed.-Sun.</i>				



INDEPENDENCE HALL

Independence Hall tours are given daily every half hour, beginning at the north side entrance. No timed tickets are necessary in January and February. However, you must go through security in Old City Hall at 5th and Chestnut before entering Independence Hall. Allow about 15 minutes to go through security, longer on busy weekend afternoons. **Note:** use the restrooms in the Visitor Center or across the street from Old City Hall before entering the security screening building. There are no restrooms inside the secure area.

ONCE UPON A NATION THANKS ITS PARTNERS & SPONSORS

For more information about how to join this group of supporters, please call (215) 629-5801 ext. 207 or e-mail donation@onceuponanation.org.

Be a part of Franklin Square history... Name a brick and build your legacy.

Celebrations, honorariums and memorials are a special way to recognize family and friends. A personalized letter will be sent to the individual or family you recognize (without reference to amount). By donating a Franklin, \$100, for the Fountain, you are helping Historic Philadelphia Inc.'s Once Upon A Nation initiative maintain the revitalized Franklin Square. Your donation is fully tax-deductible. For more information about other donation opportunities, please visit www.onceuponanation.org or call 215-629-4026.

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For more information about Once Upon A Nation, call (215) 629-4026 or log on to www.onceuponanation.org.

The official registration and financial information of Historic Philadelphia, Inc. may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll free, within Pennsylvania, (800) 732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.

HISTORIC SITES

AMERICAN PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY **D5**

104 South 5th Street (215) 440-3400
Closed
UNDAUNTED: Five American Explorers -1760-2006 opening 6/22/07

ARCH STREET FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE **E3**

320 Arch Street (215) 627-2667
Mon.-Sat. - 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Sug. Don.: \$2 ♿

THE ATHENAEUM OF PHILADELPHIA **C7**

219 South 6th Street (215) 925-2688
Mon.-Fri. - 9 a.m.-5 p.m. FREE

BETSY ROSS HOUSE **F3**

239 Arch Street (215) 686-1252
Tues. - Sat. - 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Open Holiday Mondays - Adult - \$3
Ch./Stud. \$2 - Audio Guide \$4.

BISHOP WHITE HOUSE **E6**

309 Walnut Street - Ask about tours at the Independence Visitor Center. FREE

CARPENTERS' HALL **E5**

320 Chestnut Street - (215) 925-0167
Wed.-Sun. - 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Closed Mon. & Tues. FREE

CITY TAVERN **F6**

138 South 2nd Street - (215) 413-1443
Daily - 11:30 a.m. ♿

CONGRESS HALL **C5**

6th & Chestnut Streets - (800) 537-7676
Daily - 9 a.m.-5 p.m. FREE ♿

DECLARATION HOUSE **B4**

7th & Market Streets - (800) 537-7676
Wed.-Sun. 10 a.m. by tour only;
meet at Visitor Center. FREE ♿

EDGAR ALLAN POE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE **C4**

532 North 7th Street - (215) 597-8780
Wed.-Sun. - 9 a.m.-5 p.m. FREE ♿

ELFRETH'S ALLEY **F2**

124-126 Elfreth Alley - (215) 574-0560
Tue.-Sat. - 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun. Noon - 5 p.m. Museum: Ad. \$3 • Ch. 6-18 - \$1
Under 6, school/scout grps. FREE

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF PHILADELPHIA **C2**

6th & Arch Streets - (866) 574-3727
Mon.-Fri. - 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. ♿

FRANKLIN COURT **E4**

314-322 Market Street - (800) 537-7676
ALL FREE ♿

Fragments of Franklin Court:
Wed.-Sun. - 10 a.m.-Noon

Franklin Court Museum Shop:
Closed; reopens 3/07

Printing Office: Wed.-Fri. - 10 a.m.-3 p.m.,
Sat.-Sun. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

U.S. Post Office: Mon.-Sat. - 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Underground Museum: Wed.-Sun.-Noon-5 p.m.

FRANKLIN SQUARE **C1**

6th & Race Streets - Park open daily FREE
Attractions closed for the season.

FREE QUAKER MEETING HOUSE **C3**

5th and Arch Streets - (215) 629-5801
Wed.-Sun. - 10 a.m.-4 p.m. FREE ♿

GREAT ESSENTIALS EXHIBIT **C5 & D6**

West Wing of Independence Hall
(800) 537-7676 Daily - 9 a.m.-5 p.m. FREE ♿

INDEPENDENCE HALL **C5 & D6**

Chestnut Street between 5th & 6th Streets
(800) 537-7676 Daily - 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
No tickets required for tours in January & February ♿

INDEPENDENCE LIVING HISTORY CENTER **E5**

3rd & Chestnut Streets (215) 629-4026
Mon.-Fri. - 9 a.m.-5 p.m. ♿

INDEPENDENCE VISITOR CENTER **C4**

6th & Market Streets - (800) 537-7676
Daily - 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. FREE ♿

KOSCIUSZKO HOUSE **E8**

3rd & Pine Streets - (215) 597-9618
Wed.-Sun. - Noon-4 p.m. FREE

OLD CITY HALL **D5**

5th & Chestnut Streets - (800) 537-7676
Wed.-Sun. - 2-4 p.m. FREE ♿

PHYSICK HOUSE **E8**

321 South 4th Street - (215) 925-7866
Thurs.-Sat. - Noon-5 p.m. • Sun. - 1-5 p.m.
Last tour at 4 p.m. Gen. - \$5 • Stud./Sr. - \$4
Groups over 10 - \$3 each • Und. 6 - FREE

PORTRAIT GALLERY AT THE SECOND BANK **D5**

Chestnut Street between 4th & 5th
(800) 537-7676 Wed.-Sun. - 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
FREE

POWEL HOUSE **E7**

244 South 3rd Street - (215) 627-0364
Thurs.-Sat. - Noon-5 p.m. • Sun. - 1-5 p.m.
Last tour at 4 p.m. Gen. - \$5 • Stud./Sr. - \$4
Fam. - \$12 • Under 6 - FREE ♿

TODD HOUSE **E6**

4th & Walnut Streets - (800) 537-7676
Ask at the IVC desk for tour info and times FREE

MUSEUMS

AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM IN PHILADELPHIA **B3**

7th & Arch Streets (215) 574-0380
Tues.-Sat. - 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sun. - Noon-5 p.m.
Adult - \$8 • Ch./Sr. - \$6 • Stud. - \$6 ♿

ATWATER KENT MUSEUM OF PHILADELPHIA HISTORY **B5**

5 South 7th Street (215) 685-4830
Wed.-Sun. - 1-5 p.m. Adult - \$5
Ch./Sr. - \$3 • Ch. Under 12 - FREE ♿

FIREMAN'S HALL MUSEUM **F2**

147 North 2nd Street - (215) 923-1438
Tues.-Sat. - 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. FREE ♿

INDEPENDENCE SEAPORT MUSEUM **H6**

211 Columbus Blvd - (215) 925-5439
Daily - 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Ad. - \$9 • Sr./Stud. - \$8 • Ch. - \$6 Under 3 FREE
Sun. 10 a.m.-Noon FREE ♿

LIBERTY BELL CENTER **C4**

6th Street between Market & Chestnut Streets - (800) 537-7676
Daily - 9 a.m.-5 p.m. You must be at the security screening area before 4:45 p.m. FREE ♿

NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER **D3**

525 Arch Street - (215) 409-6700
Mon.-Fri. - 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.;
Sat. - 9:30 a.m. -6 p.m.; Sun. - Noon-5 p.m.;
closed 1/1-1/12 for maintenance.
Adult - \$9 Child./Senior/Student/Active Mil. - \$7
Under 4 FREE ♿

NATIONAL LIBERTY MUSEUM **E5**

321 Chestnut Street - (215) 925-2800
Tues.-Sun. - 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Adult - \$5 • Sr. - \$4 • Stud. - \$3 • Ch. - FREE ♿

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AMERICAN JEWISH HISTORY **D4**

55 North 5th Street - (215) 923-3811
Mon.-Thurs. - 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Fri. - 10 a.m.-3 p.m. • Sun. - Noon-5 p.m. FREE ♿

NEW HALL MILITARY MUSEUM **E5**

322 Chestnut Street (800) 537-7676
Wed.-Sun. - 10 a.m.-Noon FREE ♿

PEMBERTON HOUSE MUSEUM SHOP & BOOKSTORE **E5**

316 Chestnut Street - (215) 597-8019
Daily - 9 a.m.-5 p.m. FREE ♿

POLISH AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER MUSEUM **E6**

308 Walnut Street - (215) 922-1700
Mon.-Sat. - 10 a.m.-4 p.m. FREE

U.S. MINT **D3**

5th and Arch Streets - (215) 408-0114
Mon.-Fri. - 9 a.m.-3 p.m. FREE

OTHER SITES

CHRIST CHURCH PHILADELPHIA & BURIAL GROUND **F4**

Church at 2nd Street above Market Street - (215) 922-1695
Mon.-Sat. - 9 a.m.-5 p.m. • Sun. 1-5 p.m.
Sug. Don.: Adults-\$3 • Stud./Ch. \$2 ♿
Burial Ground at 5th and Arch Streets Closed

CONGREGATION MIKVEH ISRAEL **D4**

44 North 4th Street - (215) 922-5446
Mon.-Thurs. - 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Fri. - 10 a.m.-3 p.m. • Sun. - Noon-5 p.m.
Open for Services Sat. 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. ♿

GLORIA DEI "OLD SWEDES" CHURCH

Columbus Blvd near Christian Street
(215) 389-1513 Daily - 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
FREE ♿

MIKVEH ISRAEL CEMETERY **A7**

8th & Spruce Streets - (215) 861-0314
Open by appointment only

MOTHER BETHEL AME CHURCH **C9**

419 South 6th Street - (215) 925-0616
Tues.-Sat. - 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Sun. - Open for Services. Donation suggested.
Tours by appointment.

OLD FIRST REFORMED CHURCH **E1**

4th & Race Streets - (215) 922-4566
Tours by appointment. FREE ♿

OLD PINE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH **D**

412 Pine Street - (215) 925-8051
Mon.-Fri. - 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Sun. - Open for Services Closed daily 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. FREE ♿

OLD ST. AUGUSTINE CHURCH **D1**

4th Street at the Ben Franklin Bridge
(215) 627-1838
Tours by appointment FREE ♿

OLD ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH & NATIONAL SHRINE **E6**

321 Willings Alley - (215) 923-1733
Daily - 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. FREE

OLD ST. MARY'S CHURCH **D7**

252 South 4th Street - (215) 923-7930
Mon.-Fri. - 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
Open for Services or by appointment. FREE

ST. GEORGE'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH **E1**

235 North 4th Street - (215) 925-7788
Mon.-Fri. - 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Sat. & Sun. groups by appointment only FREE

ST. PETER EPISCOPAL CHURCH **E8**

3rd & Pine Streets - (215) 925-5968
Mon.-Fri. - 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.
Sat. - 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
Sun. open until 3 p.m. after services FREE ♿

HOLIDAY HOURS

Monday, January 15, 2007 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day

10 a.m. - 5 p.m.:
Betsy Ross House
8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.:
Independence Visitor Center
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.:
Independence Hall, Liberty Bell Center

Monday, February 19, 2007 Presidents Day

10 a.m. - 5 p.m.:
Betsy Ross House
8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.:
Independence Visitor Center
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.:
Independence Hall, Liberty Bell Center

SERVICES

For Teachers

The Independence Park Institute is now open. The park offers hands-on curriculum based education programs for grades K-12 in our innovative Learning Labs at the Independence Living History Center - 3rd and Chestnut Streets. Teachers can book lessons by calling (215) 597-2760 or at www.independenceparkinstitute.com. Free self-guided tour booklets are available at the Independence Visitor Center desk.

Language Services

Park maps are available in Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Polish, Russian and Spanish. There is information in several languages about the Liberty Bell and other park sites. See a Ranger or ask at the Visitor Center if you have a specific request.

Accessibility

Park buildings, programs, films and exhibits are accessible via curb cut-outs, ramps, text/photo albums describing second floor displays, verbal presentations, park folders in Braille and large print tour brochures, pamphlets and booklets, park-wide signage featuring text and graphics, open captioning and assistive listening devices.

To arrange for American Sign Language services, please contact us at least two weeks in advance. Use the relay service (800-654-5984-TTY) to call (215-597-7130).

